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THE WASHINGTON STAR

HEADLINED ON PAGE ONE IS A STORY BY HENRY S. BRADSHER ENTITLED "HANOI MISLED US ON PULLOUT IN VIET TRUCE." BRADSHER CITES OFFICIAL SOURCES IN ASSERTING THAT THE US EMBASSY IN SAIGON CHOSE TO BELIEVE COMMUNIST ASSURANCES THAT A TRUCE WOULD BE ARRANGED LAST APRIL RATHER THAN ITS OWN INTELLIGENCE REPORTS THAT THE NORTH VIETNAMESE INTENDED TO CAPTURE THE CITY. THIS ACCEPTANCE OF WHAT APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN A DELIBERATE COMMUNIST DECEPTION WAS A MAJOR ELEMENT IN THE EMBASSY'S FAILURE TO MAKE ADEQUATE PREPARATIONS FOR THE EVACUATION. SINCE THE EVENTS OF LAST SPRING, THERE HAS BEEN A STRONG OFFICIAL DESIRE TO FORGET ABOUT THE WHOLE MESS AND THE ADMINISTRATION IS STILL TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHAT TO DO WITH AMBASSADOR MARTIN. THERE IS A STRONG SUSPICION AMONG MANY OFFICIALS THAT YOU DELI-BERATELY DISPERSED DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS WHO HAD BEEN IN SAIGON IN ORDER TO PREVENT TOO MUCH MUTTERING ABOUT THE WAY THINGS WERE HANDLED.

NANCY KISSINGER IS PICTURED ON PAGE A-4 LIGHTING A CIGARETTE "IN A DANGEROUS SPOT" AT AN ALASKAN AIR BASE AS SHE IS STANDING BEHIND A JET FUEL TRUCK.

JEREMIAH O'LEARY REPORTS THAT THE WHITE HOUSE INTENDS TO NOMINATE TURNER SHELTON AS AMBASSADOR TO THE GAHAMAS. THE MOVE IS
APPARENTLY A RESULT OF A WHITE HOUSE POLITICAL DECISION AS BOTH
YOU AND THE CAREER FOREIGN SERVICE ARE NOT IN FAVOR OF THE NONIMATION. THE NOMINATION IS EXPECTED TO SET OFF FIREWORKS IN AT LEAST
TWO CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES, THE HOUSE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS
COMMITTEE AND THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE, AS SHELTON'S
PERFORMANCE IN NICARAGUA IS INVESTIGATED. (A-5)

AN EXCERPT FROM ANDREI D. SAKHAROV'S LATEST BOOK "MY COUNTRY AND THE WORLD" APPEARS IN THE EDITORIAL SECTION. SAKHAROV POINTS TO "LEFTIST-LIBERAL FADDISHNESS" AS A DISTURBING CHARACTERISTIC HE FINDS IN MANY WESTERN INTELLECTUALS. A LACK OF INFORMATION OR THE OPPORTUNITY TO ANALYZE IT CRITICALLY, A LACK OF IMAGINATION WHERE THE FACTOR OF DISTANCE IS INVOLVED AND AN INADEQUATE NOTION OF THE TRAGIC COMPLEXITY OF REAL LIFE -- ALL THESE THINGS ARE

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LEADING TO DANGEROUS MISTAKES IN EVALUATING THE DIFFICULT QUESTIONS OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS. THE WESTERN INTELLIGENTSIA CAN MORE VIGOROUSLY DEFEND HUMAN RIGHTS IN THE SOCIALIST NATIONS INSTEAD OF TOO TRUSTINGLY ACCEPTING THE DOGMA OF THE ADVANTAGES OF THE SOCIALIST SYSTEM. STRONG HIGH-LEVEL PRESSURE IS THE KIND TO WHICH SOVIET AUTHORITIES ARE MOST VULNERABLE. (G-1)

AN EDITORIAL IN THE STAR COMMENTS THAT THE HOPED FOR DIALOGUE
BETWEEN OIL-CONSUMING AND OIL-EXPORTING NATIONS HAS PRACTICALLY
DISAPPEARED IN THE PLANS FOR THE WIDE-RANGING WORLD ECONOMIC
CONFERENCE TO START IN DECEMBER. THE OIL DISCUSSION WILL BE
BURIED IN THE BROADER "NORTH-SOUTH" DIALOGUE. THIS DEVELOPMENT
IS A REFLECTION BOTH OF DISUNITY AMONG THE WESTERN CONSUMING
NATIONS AND THE PUZZINGLY SUCCESSFUL TACTICS OF OPEC. EVEN WHILE
THE US TRIED TO BUILD A FIRM FRONT OF CONSUMING NATIONS ITS OWN
POSITION ON OIL PRICES HAS BEEN AMBIGUOUS. WHILE CRITICIZING
OPEC "GREED", THE ADMINISTRATION SUPPORTS THE CONCEPT OF INTERNATIONAL FLOOR PRICES FOR OIL. (G-2)

CROSBY S. NOYES WRITES THAT MUCH LIBERAL THINKING ABOUT MATTERS OF NATIONAL SECURITY IN THIS POST WATERGATE-VIETNAM ERA LEADS TO THE SAME, EXQUISITELY LOGICAL CONCLUSION--NATIONAL SECURITY MUST GO. MR. NOYES POINTS OUT, TONGUE IN CHEEK, THAT THE ONLY WAY TO ACCOMPLISH THIS IS TO DISMANTLE AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE THOSE INSTITUTIONS OF GOVERNMENT WHICH MAKE IT THEIR BUSINESS TO PROMOTE NATIONAL SECURITY AND TO CONVINCE OURSELVES THAT SECURITY IS SOUGHT ONLY BY THE DEPRAVED AND IMMORAL PEOPLE OF THIS WORLD. (G-3)

THE WASHINGTON POST

H.D.S. GREENWAY WRITES THAT PEKING THAT HAS BECOME OPENLY DUBIOUS ABOUT THE STATE OF SINO-AMERICAN RELATIONS AND HOSTILE TO WASHINGTON'

PURSUIT OF DETENTE WITH THE SOVIET UNION. NEITHER THE CHINESE NOR WESTERN EXPERTS EXPECT MUCH OF GREAT CONSEQUENCE TO EMERGE FROM PRESIDENT FORD'S FORTHCOMING VISIT. YET, THE CHINESE APPEAR TO WELCOME THE OPPORTUNITY TO SEE AND TALK WITH MR. FORD DESPITE RESERVATIONS EXPRESSED BY SOME DIPLOMATS AND EXPERTS OF CHINESE AFFAIRS ABOUT THE WISDOM OF THE WHOLE JOURNEY.

EGYPT HAS WITHDRAWN ITS AIR FORCE UNITS STATIONED IN SYRIA FOLLOWING CRITICISM OF EGYPTIAN POLICY AND LEADERSHIP BY THE SYRIAN AIR FORCE COMMANDER, MAJ. GEN. NADJI JAMIL. THE MOVE ANNOUNCED FRIDAY NIGHT IN CAIRO POINTED UP THE WIDENING RIFT BETWEEN THE TWO ARAB POWERS.

SYRIAN PRESIDENT HAFEZ ASSAD MEANWHILE, CONFIRMED SPECULATION THAT SYRIA WILL GET NEW WEAPONRY FROM THE SOVIET UNION.
HE SAID HIS RESENT TALKS WITH SOVIET LEADERS IN MOSCOW PRODUCED

IDENTICAL VIEWS ON REJECTING THE EGYPTIAN-ISRAELI SINAL

DISENGAGEMENT ACCORD. OBSERVERS IN CAIRO SAID RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES HAD REACHED THEIR LOWEST THREE YEAR-OLD MERGER BETWEEN SYRIA AND EGYPT COLLAPSED.

MORTON MINTZ WRITES THAT A NEW EFFORT TO BREAK UP MAJOR OIL COMPANIES WILL BE LAUNCHED IN THE SENATE MONDAY AND MAY BE VOTED ON TUESDAY. THE PROPOSAL WOULD FORCE THE 15 TOP PRODUCERS OF DOMESTIC CRUDE TO DIVEST THEIR TRANSPORTATION, MARKETING AND REFINING OPERATIONS WITHIN FIVE YEARS.

JIM HOAGLAND SAYS SPAIN, LABELING MORROCCO'S PROPOSED MARCH
BY 350.000 PERSONS INTO THE SPANISH SAHARA A THREAT TO
SECURITY AND INTERNATIONAL PEACE, CALLED SATURDAY FOR AN
EMERGENCY MEETING OF THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL.
SPANISH PRIME MINISTER CARLOS ARIAS NAVARRO MET FRIDAY NIGHT WITH
MORROCCAN AMBASSADOR ABDELLATIF FILALI SHORTLY AFTER FILAIL'S
RETURN FROM CONSULATIONS IN RABAT. FILALI TOLD REPORTERS SATURDAY
THAT THE MARCH HAS NOT YET STARTED. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT A DIALOGUE
BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES WOULD PUT AN END TO THE MARCH.
IN MARRAKECH, MORROCCO NEWS AGENCIES REPORTED THAT PREPERATIONS
CONTINUED FOR THE MARCH OF 350,000 THE OFFICIAL MORROCCAN NEWS
AGENCY SAID IN RABAT THAT 130,000 PERSONS SIGNED UP ON THE
FIRST DAY OF A DRIVE TO RECRUIT VOLUNTEERS. (A-8)

ACCORDING TO MICHEAL GENTLER, WARSAW SPECILAISTS IN EAST EUROPEAN AFFAIRS ARE WATCHING TWO DEVELOPMENTS IN POLAND THESE DAYS WITH PARTICULAR INTEREST.

ONE IS THE LENGTHENING LINES AT LOCAL SHOPS, ESPECIALLY MEAT MARKETS, WHICH REFLECT SOME POTENTIALLY VOLATILE POLITIACAL PROBLEMS FOR COMMUNIST LEADERS.

THE OTHER IS WARSAW'S STEADILY IMPROVING RELATIONS WITH COMMUNIST EAST GERMANY, A DEVELOPMENT THAT SOME OBSREVERS BELEIVE CARRIES AT LEAST THE HINT OF BECOMING A SO-CALLED INSURANCE POLICY FOR POLAND AGAINST TOO MUCH SOVIET INVOLEMENT IN POLISH DOMESTIC AFFAIRS.

AT THE MOMENT, THESE TWO OBSERVATIONS ARE NOT NECESSARILY RELATED, BUT THEY COULD BECOME SO IF, FOR EXAMPLE, POLAND'S WORSENING ECONMIC SITUATION SHOULD BRING CIVIL UNREST, POSING A PROBLEM FOR THE KREMLIN AND LEADING POLAND TO LOOK FOR FRIENDS TO HELP PERSUDAE THE RUSSIANS TO KEEP THEIR HANDS OFF MATTERS HERE.

PRESIDENT COSTA GOMES SET AN EIGHT-DAY DEADLINE SATURDAY FOR PORTUGUESE TO SURRENDER ILLEGALLY HELD GUNS IN AN EFFORT TO DISARM PRIVATE MILITAS THAT COULD SPARK A CIVIL WAR.

DAVID AND JULIE NIXON EISENHOWER WILL VISIT CHINA FOR SEVERAL WEEKS, PROBABLY IN LATE DECEMBER, ON A PRIVATE TRIP INITIATED TWO WEEKS AGO BY FORMER PRESIDENT NIXON. THE TRIP GREW OUT OF AN INVITATION EXTENDED TO THE NIXON DAUGHTERS AND THEIR HUSBANDS BY CHINESE PREMIER CHOU EN-LAI DURING NIXON'S

HISTORIC VISIT TO CHINA IN 1972.

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JOSEPH KRAFT REPORTS THAT THE CHARGE THAT YOU ARE PROMOTING A ONE-WAY DETENTE FAVORABLE TO RUSSIA FINDS A GOOD TEST IN THE PROPOSED GRAIN-FOR-OIL DEAL. SUPERFICIALLY IT LOOKS AS THOUGH THE RUSSIANS ARE GOING TO GET IN ABUNDANCE WHAT THEY ALWAYS WANTED AND WHAT THE FORD ADMINISTRATION ALWAYS WANTED THEM TO HAVE-TONS OF WHEAT AND The state of the s SUPERFICIALLY IT LOOKS AS THOUGH BECAUSE OF SOME ADMINISTRATION TRICKERY, THE UNITED STATES IS ONLY GOING TO GET IN DRIBLETS THE OIL ANTIADMINISTRATION FORCES SOUGHT AS A COUNTERWIEGHT TO THE WHEAT. IN FACT, THE APPEARANCES ARE DECEPTIVE AND WHAT HAS HAPPENED IS ONLY A DEMONSTRATION THAT DETENTE CANNOT BE AN EXACTLY EVEN TRADE.
TO CRITICS OF DETENTE AS MANAGED BY YOU, ALL THAT WAS ONLY NATURAL IN ORDER TO INGRATIATE YOURSELF WITH THE RUSSIANS AND HELP THE PRESIDENT WITH THE AMERICAN FARMER, YOU ARRANGED FOR THE DEAL TO GO THROUGH. BUT YOU DID NOT WANT TO QUEER YOUR STANDING IN MOSCOW BY BEING TOUGH ON OIL. SO THERE OCCURED THE LEAKS WHICH MADE IT EASY FOR THE RUSSIANS TO DUCK THE OIL DEAL. THE TROUBLE WITH ALL THIS, OF COURSE IS THAT THERE REALLY IS NO SYMMETRY BETWEEN AMERICAN WHEAT AND RUSSIAN OIL. WE HAVE MILLIONS OF TONS OF FOOD AVAILABLE FOR EXPORT. THEY HAVE ONLY A MARGINAL AMMOUNT OF OIL--AND THE WHEAT OF THE UNITED STATES WOULD NEVER WANT TO BECOME DEPENDANT ON IT. WHILE THE WHEAT DEAL IS OF IMMEDIATE NEED TO MOSCOW, PARTS OF THE AGREEMENT THAT ARE FAVORABLE TO US. FOR EXAMPLE, PRICES AND DEMAND WILL BE RELATIVELY STEADY, THUS MAKING IT MUCH EASIER TO MAKE PLANS FOR STOCKPILING AGAINST AN EMERGENCY. THE MORAL IS THAT DETENTE CANNOT BE JUDGED AS A SIMPLE HORSE TRADE. DELICATE AND COMPLICATED INTERESTS HAVE TO BE WEIGHED AND MEASURED. WHILE WE ARE BOUND TO DISAGREE, IT DOES SEEM CLEAR THAT A LITTLE LESS SLEIGHT-OF-HAND BY THE ADMINISTRATION MIGHT YEILD A LITTLE LESS SUSPICION AMONG IT'S CRITICS

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LESLIE H. GELB SAYS REPORTERS ABOARD YOUR PLANE HEADED TOWARD PEKING WERE GIVEN THE IMPRESSION THAT SOVIET-AMERICAN RELATIONS WOULD BE HIGH ON THE AGENDA FOR YOUR FOUR DAYS OF MEETINGS WITH DEPUTY PREMIER TENG HSIAO-PING OF CHINA. THE IMPRESSION CONVEYED TO THE NEWSMEN WAS THAT RELATIONS AMONG PEKING, MOSCOW AND WASHINGTON WERE ENTERING A NEW PHASE AND THAT THE KEY TO THIS NEW PHASE WAS RELATIONS BETWEEN MOSCOW AND WASHINGTON. CHINESE LEADERS, SO NEWSMEN WERE TOLD, ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE ABILITY OF THE UNITED STATES

TO MAINTAIN A BALANCE OF POWER.

RICHARD D. LYONS WRITES THAT THE EMERGENCE OF THE UNITED STATES AS MUNITIONS KING OF THE WORLD AND ALMOST DAILY REPORTS OF NEW ARMS DEALS WITH FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS ARE GENERATING A FRESH SENSE OF UNEASINESS AMONG POLICY MAKERS AND CONGRESSMEN OVER THE IMPACT OF THE WEAPONS ON GLOBAL AFFAIRS.

ACCORDING TO PAUL HOFMANN A HIGH OFFICIAL AT THE AMERICAN MISSION TO THE UNITED NATIONS CHARGED TODAY THAT CHILE HAD VOTED FOR A DRAFT RESOLUTION LINKING ZIONISM WITH RACISM IN A COMMITTEE OF THE WORLD BODY LAST NIGHT TO BUY ARAB SUPPORT AGAINST CHARGES THAT CHILEAN AUTHORITIES WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR TORTURE AND OTHER VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS.

ALAN RIIDING STATES THAT A MOOD OF NERVOUS HOSTILITY IS SPREADING AMONG MANY LONG-TIME UNITED STATES RESIDENTS OF THE CANAL ZONE, CONCERNED THAT THEIR JOBS, PRIVILEGES AND SECURITY MAY BE BARGAINED AWAY IN NEGOTIATIONS FOR A NEW PANAMA CANAL TREATY. "THE MAIN PROBLEM IS THE LACK OF INFORMATION," SAID DOUGLAS C. SCHMIDT, A PANAMA CANAL COMPANY EXECUTIVE WHO ACTS AS UNOFFICIAL SPOKESMAN FOR MANY ZONE RESIDENTS. "WE HAVE LOST FAITH IN THE TREATY NEGOTIATIONS BECAUSE THERE IS A TOTAL LACK OF INFORMATION FROM THE STATE DEPARTMENT.

HENRY TANNER SAYS PRESIDENT ANWAR EL-SADAT, IN HIS LAST MAJOR SPEECH BEFORE LEAVING FOR A VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES AT THE END OF NEXT WEEK, EXPRESSED HIS CONCERN OVER AND OPPOSITION TO WHAT HE CALLED THE ESCALATION OF AMERICAN ARMS DELIVERIES TO ISRAEL.
"THIS POLICY DOES NOT FIT THE NEW AMERICAN ROLE IN THE MIDEAST." HE SAID. "ESCALATION BY THE OTHER SIDE WILL BE MET BY ESCALATION FROM OUR SIDE, AND THE CONSEQUENCE OF THIS MUST BE OBVIOUS TO ALL.

MALCOLM W. BROWNE REPORTS THAT DURING THE LAST FEW MONTHS
THE COMMUNIST AUTHORITIES OF POLAND HAVE QUIETLY CARRIED OUT A
FAR-REACHING ADMINISTRATIVE REORGANIZATION, ELIMINATING THE
ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT ROUGHLY
CORRESPONDING TO THE AMERICAN COUNTY,
ALONG WITH ALL THE JOBS ASSOCIATED WITH IT.
UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY LEADER, EDWARD
GIEREK, THE CHANGE HAS UNDER CUT THE CUMBERSOME RURAL
BUREAUCRACY OF BOTH THE GOVERNMENT AND THE
COMMUNIST PARTY. IT ALSO APPEARS TO HAVE STRENGTHENED MR.
GIEREK IN HIS POSITION AS FIRST SECRETARY.

JOHN W. FINNEY SAYS DEFENSE SECRETARY JAMES R. SCHLESINGER IS PROMOTING A NEW, NON-NUCLEAR ROLE FOR THE CRUISE MISSILE, A PROJECTED WEAPON THAT IN ITS NUCLEAR ROLE HAS BECOME A CONTROVERSIAL ISSUE IN THE STRATEGIC ARMS LIMITATION TALKS WITH THE SOVIET UNION.
MR. SCHLESINGER IS SUGGESTING, STILL ONLY PRIVATELY THUS FAR, THAT THE LONG- RANGE CRUISE MISSILE, USED AS A REPLACEMENT FOR THE MANNED FIGHTER BOMBER, IS POTENTIALLY THE MOST INTERESTING, EXCITING WEAPONS ADVANCE OF THE DECADE.

FOX BUTTERFIELD SAYS WHEN YOU ARRIVE IN PEKING TOMORROW FOR YOUR EIGHTH VISIT TO CHINA, YOU WILL ENCOUNTER A CHINESE LEADERSHIP THAT APPEARS DISAPPOINTED BUT STILL PATIENT WITH THE SLOW PROGRESS OF RELATIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES.

RICHARD HALLORAN REPORTS JAPAN'S PARLIAMENT RESUMED DELIBERATIONS TODAY FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THREE WEEKS AS THE OPPOSITION PARTIES INTENSIFIED A CONFRONTATION WITH THE GOVERNING PARTY THAT HAS NEARLY CRIPPLED THE NATIONAL LEGISLATURE. THE FOUR OPPOSITION PARTIES THE SOCIALISTS, DEMOCRATIC SOCIALISTS, COMMUNISTS AND THE KOMEITO PARTY SWITCHED FROM DELAYING TACTICS TO A BLISTERING ATTACK ON PREMIER TAKEO MIKI'S POLITICAL, ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL POLICIES IN A CLEAR EFFORT TO DRIVE HIM TO DISSOLVE THE LOWER HOUSE AND CALL GENERAL ELECTIONS.

DAVID A. ANDELMAN SAYS A GROWING BODY OF EVIDENCE SEEMS TO BE ACCUMULATING THAT INDICATES SOME RESISTANCE BY MILITARY UNITS OF THE FORMER ANTI-COMMUNIST GOVERNMENT IS PERSISTING IN SCATTERED AREAS OF SOUTH VIETNAM.

NICHOLAS M. HORROCK WRITES THAT THE FORD ADMINISTRATION WILL STANCHLY RESIST A CONGRESSIONAL EFFORT TO BAR THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT FROM UNDERTAKING COVERT INTELLIGENCE OPERATIONS OR TO INTRUDE UPON THE PRESIDENT'S PEROGATIVE TO ORDER SUCH OPERATIONS, INTERVIEWS WITH HIGH ADMINISTRATION SOURCES DISCLOSED.

THIS DECISION IS ONE OF SEVERAL REACHED RECENTLY AS THE FORD ADMINISTRATION AND THE LEADERS OF THE INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES DREW UP WHAT ONE KEY OFFICIAL CALLED THE "ORDER" OF BATTLE" FOR AN EXPECTED CONFRONTATION WITH CONGRESS ON CONTROL OF THE INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY.

THE TIMES WRITES THAT YOU HAVE OFFERED TO COMPROMISE

YOUR DIFFERENCES WITH THE HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE
ON INTELLIGENCE BY PROVIDING THE COMMITTEE WITH SUMMARIES
OF POLICY MEMORANDUMS WRITTEN BY JUNIOR AND
MIDDLE LEVEL STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS. BUT MR. KISSINGER REFUSES
TO SUPPLY THE DOCUMENTS THEMSELVES OR THE NAMES OF THEIR AUTHORS.
WHETHER THE COMMITTEE WILL ACCEPT HIS OFFER IS NOT YET KNOWN.

AN EARLY RESOLUTION OF DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE SOVIET UNION OVER A NEW AGREEMENT LIMITING STRATEGIC ARMS IS NOW DOUBTED BY SOME OFFICIALS IN THE FORD ADMINISTRATION DESPITE CONTRARY ASSESSMENT BY AN OFFICIAL WHITE HOUSE DENIALS THAT THE PACT IS IN TROUBLE
THE PESSIMISTIC OFFICALS WERE CONCERNED ABOUT THREE IMPORTANT UNRESOLVED ISSUES: THE SOVIET BOMBER CALLED THE BACKFIRE, AND AIR-BREATHING AMERICAN CRUISE MISSILE AND THE DEFINITION OF HEAVY MISSILE.

SECRETARY OF DEFENSE JAMES R. SCHLESINGER HAS URGED THE SENATE TO PASS A DEFENSE BUDGET \$2.6 BILLION
HIGHER THAT THE \$90.2-BILLION MEASURE ALREADY APPROVED BY THE HOUSE. HIS REQUEST CREATES THE POSSIBILITY OF A MAJOR TEST OF THE INFLUENCE OF THE NEW SENATE BUDGET COMMITTEE.

LESLIE H. GELB SAYS A SENATE COMMITTEE ANNOUNCED

LAST MONTH THAT THE PENTAGON HAD CHANGED ITS ESTIMATE

OF HOW MANY AMERICANS WOULD BE KILLED IF THE SOVIETS

UNION LAUNCHED A LIMITED NUCLEAR ATTACK AGAINST THE

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR MISSILE—

FROM A MINIMUM OF THREE MILLION TO A MAXIMUM OF 22

MILLION. THESE CALCULATIONS COULD BE DISMISSED

AS SIMPLY ANOTHER EXCERCISE IN THE MACABRE AND THE

FANATASTIC, BUT THIS TIME, THE NUMBERS MEAN

SOMETHING.

"THEY HAVE TO DO WITH DEFENSE SECRETARY SCHLESINGER'S BELIEF

THAT A LIMITED NUCLEAR WAR IS NOT ONLY THINKABLE, BUT THAT THE UNITED

STATES NEEDS THE CAPABILITY TO FIGHT ONE.

THE BALTIMORE SUN

PRESIDENT GISCARD FLEW INTO PARIS YESTERDAY TO FIND HIS SUPPORTERS' FEATHERS BADLY RUFFLED AFTER HIS FIVE-DAY VISIT TO THE SOVIET UNION. CONFUSION AND DISSENSION, SPREAD BY CONFLICTING RUMORS OF THE ILL HEALTH OF BREZHNEV, OR DISPLEASURE OVER GISCARD'S COMMENTS, HAVE BADLY SHAKEN THE INDEPENDENT REPUBLICAN CAMP IN HIS ABSENCE. ALTHOUGH THE GISCARD-BREZHNEV VISIT ENDED WITH THE TWO LEADERS SIGNING AGREEMENTS ON FRANCO-SOVIET FRIENDSHIP AND CO-OPERATION, AND WITH OTHER MINISTERS SIGNING PRELIMINARY AGREEMENTS ON ENERGY, AERONAUTICS AND TOURISM, EVEN MR. GISCARD'S ADMIRERS WERE FAR

FROM SURE WHETHER THE TRIP HAD ADVANCED FRANCE-SOVIET DETENTE. THERE WAS LITTLE DOUBT THAT GISCARD HAD FAILED IN HIS OBJECTIVE OF CONSOLIDATING THE UNDERSTANDINGS REACHED AT THE EUROPEAN SECURITY CONFERENCE IN HELSINKI AT THE END OF JULY (A-2)

A SENIOR UNITED STATES DIPLOMAT HAS CHARGED THAT CHILE VOTED IN THE UNITED NATIONS TO CONDEMN ZIONISM IN EXCHANGE FOR ARAB PLEDGES NOT TO PRESS ALLEGATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS IN CHILE, IT WAS REVEALED YESTERDAY, U.S. SOURCES CONFIRMED THAT THE CHARGE WAS MADE PRIVATELLY TO AMERICAN JOURNALISTS FOLLOWING FRIDAY NIGHT'S U.N. DEBATE ON THE ZIONISM ISSUE. (A-4)

PORTUGAL'S ARMED FORCES WERE UNDER ORDERS YESTERDAY TO HUNT DOWN 20,000 WAR WEAPONS, OPENING FIRE IF NEED BE TO RECOVER THEM FROM VOLATILE POLITICAL FACTIONS WHOSE DIFFERENCES THREATEN CIVIL WAR. GOVERNMENT INVESTIGATING COMMISSIONS ALSO WERE DISPATCHED TO THE AZORES AND MADEIRA, ISLANDS ON WHICH SEPARATISTS AND TROOPS HAVE CLASHED VIOLENTLY IN THE LAST TWO DAYS. (A-5)

ACCORDING TO HENRY TREWHITT. ONE HAS TO BE ARBITRARY IN CHOOSING DATES TO MAKE A POINT REGARDING SPAIN. IN IMMEDIATE TERMS. THE KEYDATE IS SEPTEMBER 27. THAT WAS THE DAY FRANCO'S GOVERNMENT EXECUTED FIVE BASQUE SEPARATISTS -- TERRORIST COP-KILLERS, BY THE OFFICIAL ACCOUNT -- AFTER SPARING THE LIVES OF A LARGER GROUP. WESTERN EUROPE WENT UP IN A CLOUD OF THETORICAL SMOKE. SPANISH EMBASSIES WERE ATTACKED. MORE THAN A DOZEN GOVERNMENTS RECALLED THEIR AMBASSADORS FOR COSMETICS CONSULTATIONS OR TOLD THEM TO EXTEND THEIR VACATIONS. STUDENTS WHO HAD LACKED A RECENT COMPELLING CAUSE TOOK TO THE STREETS. COMMUNISTS PARTIES REFOCUSED THEIR RAGE FROM PORTUGAL TO THE LARGER PORTION OF THE IBERIAN PENINSULA. THEN SUDDENLY, AS SUCH THINGS ARE JUDGED, THE PROTEST LOST MOMENTUM. IT HAS NOT DIED BY ANY MEANS. BUT THERE IS A GROWING AWAREMESS THAT THE REACTION HAS HAD ANYTHING BUT THE DESIRED RESULT. - THE AMBASSADORS ARE TRICKLING BACK. (K-1)

THOMAS PEPPER WRITES THAT AS THE LEAVES CHANGE COLOR ON THE TREES, AND TIME BEGINS TO RUN OUT ON THE TWO CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTES INVESTIGATING UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES, IT IS BECOMING INCREASINGLY APPARENT THAT NORMAL STANDARDS OF GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE ARE NOT GOING TO BRING GREAT AND MEANINGFUL CHANGE TO THE INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY. OF PAST PRECEDENT IS ANY GUIDE, IT WILL TAKE AN EXTRAORDINARY AND CONCERTED EFFORT- ON THE PART OF THE WHITE HOUSE, CONGRESS, THAN REPEAT THE USUAL WASHINGTON CYCLE OF DISCLOSURE, ALARM, AND INERTIA. INDEED, WITHOUT SUCH AN EFFORT- OF A SORT MORE SYSTEMATIC, FOR EXAMPLE, THAN THE CURRENT ATTEMPTS TO CHANGE REGULARORY POLICY- ONE COULD HAZARD A GUESS THAT THE VARIOUS INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES WOULD RIDE OUT THEIR CURRENT TROUBLES,

AND BE BACK IN BUSINESS, ROUGHLY AS BEFORE, BY MID-1977. THE ARTICLE CONCLUDES BY SAYING THAT THIS IS WHY THE NATURE OF ANY REORGANIZATION THAT TAKE PLACE OVER THE NEXT 18 MONTHA SO IMPORTANT. IF ALL THE DISCLOSURES OF THE PAST TWO YEARS LEAD ONLY TO A PURGE OF A FEW TOP OFFICIALS, AND TO THE INSTITUTION OF A NEW BUT STILL POLITICIWED WHITE HOUSE MONITORING GROUP AND NEW BUT CUSTOMARY CONGRESSIONAL OVERSIGHT, THE INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES COULD EASILY REVERT TO THEIR OLD HABITS--AND UNDERSTANDABLY SO. (K-2)

ACCORDING TO THE SUN'S LEAD EDITORIAL, THE WORD IS BEING PASSED AUTHORITATIVELY IN WASHINGTON THAT SALT II IS IN TROUBLE, AND WITH IT THE CREAKY YET VITAL DIPLOMATIC UNDERTAKING KNOWN AS DETENTE. WHETHER THE CURRENT GLOOM IS MERELY A NEGOTIATING TACTIC OR A ACCURATE ASSESSMENT OF POLITICAL REALITIES IS A MATTER OF CONJECTURE. INDEED THEY MAY EXIST IN TANDEM. THUS FURTHER COMPLICATING WHAT MUST SURELY BE SOME OF THE MOST DIFFICULT NEGOTIATIONS EVER ATTEMPTED. THE NATURAL TEMPTATION IS TO DESPAIR, KNOWING THAT EACH LAP OF THE ARMS RACE INCREASES THE DANGER OF BIG-POWER HOLOCAUST AND ENCOURAGES OTHER NATIONS TO GO NUCLEAR. BUT THE BETTER, COOLER COURSE IS TO SAFEGUARD WHAT HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED, DISCOUNT POLITICAL EXPEDIENCIES AND ENCOURAGE FURTHER ACCOMMODATION. SHOULD SALT II BE DELAYED, THE UNITED STATES AND THE SOVIET UNION HAD BETTER FACE UP TO THE FACT THAT THIS COULD INCREASE THE DANGERS OF NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION. MORE COUNTRIES ARE ACQUIRING THE KNOWLEDGE AND MATERIALS TO MAKE THE JUMP FROM PEACEFUL TO MILITARY EXPLOITATION OF ATOMIC POWER. IF THEY ARE TO HAVE ANY INCENTIVE TO STAY OUT OF THE NUCLEAR CLUB, SALT II WILL HAVE TO DO MORE THAN RAISE THE AMERICAN- SOVIET CEILINGS ON NUCLEAR WEAPONS TO EQUAL LIMITS NOT YET ATTAINED. IT WILL HAVE TO CONTAIN A TRIGGERING MECHANISM FOR A QUICK, DRASTIC, CONVINCING ARMS CUTBACK THAT WILL ECOURAGE OTHER NATIONS TO AVOID THE NUCLEAR OPTION. (K-4)

ACCORDING TO LATE PRESS REPORTS, THE WORLD SERIES GAME FOR SUNDAY HAS BEEN CANCELLED DUE TO RAIN. THERE IS A POSSIBILITY THAT MONDAY'S GAME WILL ALSO BE CANCELLED. "HOLD ON PETER"

A NEW YORK TIMES EDITORIAL SAYS THE TIMING OF COMMUNIST CHINA'S VIOLENT PUBLIC CRITICISM OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT FOR "CONNIVING AT AND SUPPORTING ACTIVITIES OF TIBETAN REBELS IN THE UNITED STATES" SUGGESTS LOW EXPECTATIONS FROM YOUR EIGHTH VISIT TO CHINA, STARTING TODAY, TO PREPARE PRESIDENT FORD'S FIRST PEKING TRIP NEXT MONTH.

PEKING HAS MADE "NORMALIZATION" --THE ESTABLISHMENT OF FULL DIPOMATIC RELATIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES--CONTIGENT ON WITHDRAWAL OF THE AMERICAN EMBASSY AND TROOPS FROM TAIWAN AND ABROGATION OF THE UNITED STATES SECURITY TREATY AITH TAIWAN. YOU HAVE CONFIRMED THAT THE CONCLUSION OF THIS PROCESS OF "NORMAL-

IZATION" --WHICH THE UNITED STATES INSISTS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY PEKING'S RENUNCIATION OF FORCE AGAINST TAIWAN--CANNOT BE EXPECTED DURING PRESIDENT FORD'S VISITAL A MORE CONSTRUCTIVE CHINESE ATTITUDE TOWARD DETENTE, NUCLEAR ARMS CONTROL AND SETTLEMENT OF PRIVATE CLAIMS AND FROZEN ASSETS MIGHT BE ACHIEVED IN RETURN FOR A TRADE AGREEMENT LIFTING AMERICAN TARIFF DISCRIMINATION.

STABILIZATION OF THE KOREAN SITUATION IS THE MOST VITAL NEED. IN RETURN, AMERICAN TECHNOLOGY COULD SPEED DEVELOPMENT OF CHINA'S HUGE OIL POTENTIAL. NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS LIES ALONG THAT ROUTE, RATHER THAN IN PROPAGANDA ABOHT TAIWAN, TIBET OR EXCHANGE OF EMBASSIES.

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ANOTHER EDITORIAL SAYS YOUR REFUSAL, DESPITE A SUBPOENA, TO HAND THE HOUSE INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE A MIDDLE-LEVEL STATE DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM DISSENTING FROM ADMNISTRATION POLICY IN THE 1974 CYPRUS CRISIS CAN ONLY BE EVALUATED IN TERMS OF WHAT YOU HAVE OFERED THE COMMITTEE. IN VIEW OF THE FACTS, THE INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE'S INSISTENCE THAT IT HAS THE RIGHT TO REACH INTO THE INTERIOR OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT TO SUBPOENA THE DISSENTING MEMORANDA OF JUNIOR AND MIDDLE-RANK OFFICIALS -- AND TO SUMMON THEM TO TESTIFY ON POLICY ISSUES -- IS CLEARLY CONTRARY TO THE NATIONAL INTEREST. THAT PROCEDURE WOULD DESTROY THE FREE EXPRESSION OF VIEW WITHIN THE STATE DEPARTMENT -- THE BEST ASSURANCE OF SOUND POLICY-MAKING --BY TELLING EVERY JUNIOR AND MIDDLE-LEVEL OFFICIAL THAT HIS REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATION AFTERWARD. THE PRINCIPLE YOU ARE INVOKING IS THE CENTRAL PRINCIPLE OF RESPONSIBLE. REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT. IT IS THAT THE RESPONSIBLE OFFICIALS, TO WHOM POLICY-MAKING IS DELEGATED --OFFICIALS APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT AND CONFIRMED BY CONGRESS --BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE FOR THEIR DECISIONS, BT NOT THE LOWER-LEVEL ASSISTANTS WHO ANALYZE THE FACTS AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS.

C.L. SALZBERGER WRITES THAT THE MAIN FACT IS THAT SINO-AMERICAN RELATIONSHIPS STILL CENTER ON THE NEED BY BOTH COUNTRIES TO COOPERATE TACITLY ON A NUMBER OF FOREIGN POLICY QUESTIONS AND ON SHARING SIMILAR PERCEPTIONS ON ISSUES BOTH CONSIDER IMPORTANT ALL OF WHICH CAN BE SHORTENED INTO ONE WORD -- RUSSIA. WHEN MESSRS. KISSINGER AND NIXON FIRST BROKE THE ICE IN CHINA THEY WERE, IN EFFECT, USING THAT COUNTRY AS A BACKDOOR TO MOSCOW WHERE ARMS REDUCTION AND DETENTE WERE BEING SOUGHT. THE LATTER KIND OF APPROACH MUST ALWAYS BE FULLY EXPLAINED IN PEKING WHOSE UNDERSTANDING AND CONFIDENCE IS NEEDED BY WASHINGTON. DESPITE THE WIDE IDEOLOGICAL GAP BETWEEN CHINA AND THE UNITED STATES AND DESPITE POLITICAL DIFFERENCES AND GLOBAL AIMS, THE TWO POWERS SHARE MUTUAL CONCERN ABOUT RUSSIA. AND THAT IS WHAT PRESENT TALKS AND JOURNEYS ARE ABOUT. BOTH PARTIES AGREE ON THE NEED TO UNDERSTAND EACH OTHER ON THE RULES

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OF COOPERATION WITH RESPECT TO MOSCOW.
NOTHING DRAMATIC SHOULD BE ANTICIPATED AS A RESULT OF THE NEWEST ROUND OF CONVERSATIONS.

TOM WICKER WRITES THAT AS THE SOVIETS SEE THE EAST-WEST COMPETITION ONLY THE EAST CAN BE ALLOWED TO COMPETE. AS THE LONDON TIMES PUT IT IN A NOTABLE LEADER THIS WEEK: "PART OF THE TROUBLE IS THAT THE SOVIET UNION WANTS IT BOTH WAYS. IT INSISTS THAT IN CONDITIONS OF PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE THE IDEOLOGICAL STRUGGLE MUST CONTINUE OR EVEN BE INTENSIFIED. AT THE SAME TIME. IT ASSERTS THAT ANY ATTEMPTS BY WESTERN COUNTRIES TO PROPAGATE THEIR OWN IDEAS OR TO SCRUTINIZE SOVIET ABUSES OF HUMAN RIGHTS ARE SOMEHOW CONTRARY TO THE SPIRIT OF PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE. AFTER ALL. MARXISM IN PRACTICE IS A CONSIDERABLE FAILURE EVERYWHERE, RESULTING IN BUREAUCRATIC DICTATORSHIPS MISMANAGING PALLID ECONOMIES. WHILE PLAYING BIG BROTHER TO THEIR INDOMITABLE DR. SAKHAROVS. IF DEMOCRACY HAS ITS FAUTS. AS IT CERTAINLY HAS--PRIMA-RILY THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE ECONOMIC JUSTICE--IT YET HAS BY COMPARISON AN ENVIABLE RECORD OF APPROACHING THAT FREEDOM AND DIGNITY WHICH ARE UNIVERSAL HUMAN GOALS. #5927

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